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"I'm not concerned just about me, but the couple hundred or however many co-workers that work for Comm and the Cal Labs (Communications and the Calibration Labs in the Central Instrumentation Facility-CIF/M6-0342) that are constantly shuffling back and forth between here and our HQ front offices and beyond.

I've been crossing that street for 6 years, and I will stick by my assertion that it's a problem getting across a lot of times, period. That came to a head when I literally almost got run over there by someone unexpectedly passing the vehicles ahead of him delayed by the crossing. And now we don't have the shuttle bus option either, to avoid walking during busier hours. Parking at HQ requires us to walk just about as far as just walking from the CIF."



Crosswalk Safety



The law:

KNPR 1600.1 states that KSC adopts the vehicular and pedestrian traffic laws of the State of Florida, as set forth in Florida Statute 316, "State Uniform Traffic Control." Florida Statute 316.130, "Pedestrians; traffic regulations" 7(b) states "The driver of a vehicle at any crosswalk where signage so indicates shall stop and remain stopped to allow a pedestrian to cross a roadway when the pedestrian is in the crosswalk or steps into the crosswalk and is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger."

What's being done:

KSC Security Patrols will be monitoring all crosswalks and will issue citations to violators. "Failure to Yield the Right of Way" citations carry four points against your KSC driving record.

Who knows:

Please be reminded that Center Director Bob Cabana receives reports of all citations on center. Metrics also are tracked and generated, including the number of citations by organization. These metrics are viewed by the KSC Director and members of the Executive Safety Forum.

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Safety Tip of the Week

WATCH OUT for those Tourists !



How many times have you driven in or out of work and found yourself having to come to a sudden halt? You look ahead to see other drivers going around a stopped vehicle. Initially, you think maybe it is an emergency, but as you pass the vehicle you see either the driver or passenger(s) taking photos.

Now, most people would think to just pull over on the shoulder when stopping. However, there are some tourists that get so overwhelmed by what KSC offers that they forget to do so. For this reason, we encourage all KSC employees to please **WATCH OUT** for the tourists in the area. Drive slowly and take extra caution near high tourist travel locations such as SR 405.